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LIVE FOR THE FARM

"Farmers' wives take more interest in their husband's business than do those in the city." An eminent college professor makes this statement in all seriousness. He makes no explanation. Probably the solution never occurred to the observant professor. A farmer and a farmer's wife live for the farm. There are few enough distracting influences. The sphere is narrow, hard and monotonous. If the woman is to take any interest in anything it must be in the farm. The farmer's success is to a very large extent directly dependent upon the assistance he receives from his wife. To the merchant, the lawyer, the doctor, this assistance is more an incident; at best merely an indirect factor, contributing to his success. The city woman has social duties, club duties, church duties, interests apart from her home.

A closer relation between man and wife would work for good. Domestic happiness to a large extent rests upon the interdependence of man and wife. The wife should know the husband through and through. His follies, his temptations, his shortcomings should be gauged by her. She has a right to know at all times his financial condition. If she possessed this knowledge a deal of unhappiness would be avoided. She has a right to her husband's confidence and she will justify all the consideration he can pay her.

WHEAT SITUATION

There is a difference of opinion regarding the available supply of wheat on hand and the forcing up of the price thereof. Secretary of Agriculture Wilson takes the ground that the wheat on March 1st was about 143,000,000 bushels, or 214 per centum of the amount produced last year, and thus the necessity for higher prices is not real. He makes the point, further, that when the price of wheat was forced up in 1898 to \$1.85 the price was depressed during the following year to 85 cents, and that the same situation is probable to follow next year. He maintains that the present price is fictitious and that the farmers are not to be the beneficiaries of the present movement. In the meantime the price of wheat and flour has gone up, and in London there is a marked increase in price of the individual loaf of bread. The secretary insists that the gamblers are responsible for the present situation.

On the other hand James A. Patten, the Chicago wheat manipulator, retorts by saying that the situation in respect to the supply of wheat is as he has set forth, that Secretary Wilson is wrong, and that the manipulator himself was warranted in taking advantage of a state of affairs that others do not appear to realize. In Chicago some of the smaller bakers have suspended business, short-weight bread is being sold, the millers—rather a contradictory sort of thing—are offering prizes for the salesmen who get rid of the greatest bulk of flour. In fact some of the millers are said to be unable to get rid of their stocks and are giving prizes not only to their salesmen but with each sack of flour are offering premium coupons exchangeable for groceries to that amount.

One miller denies that there is now an acute demand for flour, "but rather inflation and manipulation" are doing the mischief. Another representative of a big milling company says the wheat crop is short, and that "the days of cheap flour and cheap bread are over." Thomas Lawson of Boston has called for the persecution of the speculators in wheat, but a Chicago man gives it as his opinion that Lawson is "short a lot and will say about anything that will bring the prices down."

With these conflicting views on the subject the consumers have nothing to do. They are interested in the price of bread now and the threatened price to follow. Already there is talk of "bread riots" and "bread famine."

TALKING OF \$2.00 WHEAT

James A. Patten, who controls the present wheat corner in Chicago, is not a new figure in finance, but he promises to fill a much bigger place in the future. He lives in Evanston, Ill., and was formerly mayor of that town. He has been operating on the Board of Trade for many years. Twice before he engineered corners, from which he took profits amounting to several million dollars. The present corner bids fair to make him one of the richest men in the country. He is obdurate in using his power and is already talking about \$2 wheat. Apparently, he has visions of keeping permanent control of the market. He is represented as saying that the day of cheap wheat is gone forever and that the five-cent loaf of bread will soon be a memory. However, few permanent fortunes ever have been made by cornering a great natural product.

TAXATION OF INVESTMENTS

Because of the condition of our state finances questions of taxation are interesting to Delaware. The subject is pertinent owing to the tendency in national taxation. There is the proposal to enact a national inheritance tax and another proposal to adopt a graduated income tax. It is probable at this time that neither tax will be made into a national law.

But that should not prevent Delaware from considering whether an inheritance tax and possibly an income tax could not be adopted in this State. An income tax would cause much opposition and because of its inquisitorial nature would probably fail.

There should be a tax on investments, bonds and mortgages and the like. It will be recalled that the Legislature passed a law known as the Adams law taxing investments. Considerable revenue was collected under the law but it had to be given up when the law was upset by the courts. If we remember correctly, Governor Pennewill, then a member of the State Senate, favored this law or at least favored the general principle of taxing investments.

Since the law was declared unconstitutional, nothing has been done to see if a law could be devised to tax investments that would stand the test of the courts.

At the time the Adams law was considered forceful objection was made that the law was unjust because it was in fact double taxation. This objection could be avoided. Suppose there is a house worth, say \$10,000, on which there is a mortgage of \$5,000. Under the present law the man in whose name the house stands pays the tax on the \$10,000 value, although he has but half an interest in the house. The holder of the mortgage who also owns half the house escapes taxation altogether. The fairer plan would be to have the holder of the mortgage pay tax on the mortgage and the reputed owner of the house pay tax on the amount that he has in the house.

There might be difficulties with this plan but there ought to be some way in which investments could be taxed. The Adams law during the brief time it was in force unearthed some rich citizens who practically escaped taxation.—Evening Journal.

General Booth, of the Salvation Army, has just celebrated his eightieth birthday. The amazing vitality and activity he displays and the plans he is making for a visit to this country show that he has no intention of being "Oleterized." While General Booth is conspicuous he is by no means an exceptional example of active and useful old age. In every walk of life men of mature years are to the front, with no slacking of enthusiasm and with the ripe wisdom of experience.

INCIDENT OF A FOX HUNT

Here's a fox story that comes from Centerville, Md., and the truth of which is vouched for by a resident of that fine little Eastern Shore city. On last Friday week a number of Centerville hunters were chasing a fox, which for a time cornered along the shore of Corns creek. While the fox hunt was in progress some dog hunters fired into a flock of ducks killing several and crippling one. The crippled duck swam across the river and was retrieved, itself on the shore when the fox came along, caught the duck, and threw it across its back. The fox carried the duck up in the edge of the woods and buried it in the leaves and then leisurely continued on the journey, with the dog less than a hundred yards in the rear. A farmer who had witnessed this affair, after the bounds had passed out of hearing, went to the scene where the fox had buried its prey and found the

DELAWARE COLLEGE BULLETIN

The catalogue number of the Delaware College Bulletin for 1909 offers, in connection with the usual statement of officers, students, and courses of instruction, much interesting and important information for prospective students and for the graduates and other friends of this flourishing State institution. The new appointments on the teaching staff are Joseph M. McVey, B. A. (Delaware), Instructor in Mathematics and Engineering; Victor E. Albright, M. A. (Columbia), Instructor in English; Thomas L. Sturges, Jr., M. E. (Stevens), Instructor in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering; Reeves D. String, Instructor in Shop-work. W. Vaughn Derby resigned in February, 1909, his position as Instructor in Shop-work to accept a position in Indiana.

The number of students has increased from 157 in 1908 to 184 in 1909, apportioned as follows: Civil Engineering, 22; Electrical Engineering, 37; Mechanical Engineering, 15; Agricultural, 12; Classical, 11; General Science, 8; Latin Science, 7; Irregular, 12. Under Requirements for Admission, special attention is called to the new requirement in English, that "all candidates for entrance, whether graduates of high schools or no, must undergo an examination in English Composition." This examination will be held at the College on Saturday, June 19th, and Wednesday, September 15th. A fee-note on p. 15 announces that "solid geometry will be required of applicants in the Engineering courses after the close of the year 1909-10."

It is very probable, also, that either French or German will be required of all candidates for entrance after 1910. Principals and other teachers who are preparing students for entrance are earnestly advised to consult carefully the detailed explanation of the requirements for admission. In the matter of English, they should have on their desks The High Course in English, a bulletin published by the College. It may be secured on application to the President.

Some announcements of special interest are the Appropriations given to the College and the College farm by the recent legislature (p. 12), Lectures and Entertainments (p. 13), and New Courses in Agriculture (pp. 32-35).

THE BOYS CORN GROWING CONTEST

By an arrangement of the New Castle County Fair Association and the Delaware Corn Growers Association, every boy in Delaware is given the opportunity to win a prize for the best corn he can grow this season. He will be allowed to exhibit twice. First, at the New Castle County Fair in September, and later at the State Corn Show to be held in December. An announcement of the number of prizes will be made a little later.

The following rule shall govern the contest.

1. Any Delaware boy not over 17 years of age is eligible.
2. The grower may use seed corn of any variety or color.
3. The corn exhibited must be grown from a tract of ground of not less than 1/4 acre.
4. An exhibit at the New Castle County Fair shall consist of ten stalks of corn including ears.
5. An exhibit at the State Corn Show shall consist of ten ears grown on the same plot as the first exhibit.
6. Each boy desiring to enter the contest shall send his name and address, together with the name of the variety and color of the corn he intends to grow, to Prof. A. E. Grantham, Newark, Del., before June 1st, 1909. This will entitle him to a registration card which he must present at the exhibitions.

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TO THE SHERIFF OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY,

GREETING:

Whereas, Ernest T. Kimberly by his Petition to the Judges of our Superior Court, filed in the office of the Prothonotary of said Court in and for New Castle County, for the cause of complaint therein alleged, has made application to our said Judges that a decree may be pronounced dissolving the marriage existing between the Petitioner and Annie Kimberly.

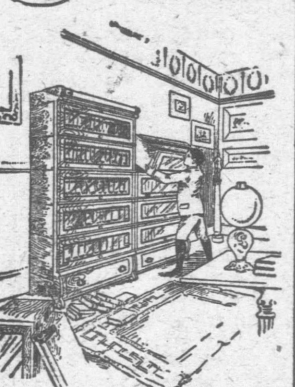
We, Therefore, Command You, as you were heretofore commanded, That you summon Annie Kimberly that she be and appear before the Judges of our said Court at the next term thereof to be held at Wilmington, on Monday, the third day of May next to answer the allegations of the said petitioner, Ernest T. Kimberly according to the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided, and also to do and receive what the Court shall then and there consider concerning her in his behalf as to the Court shall seem meet and consistent with the provisions of the said Act of Assembly.

And have you then there this writ. Witness the Honorable Chas. B. Lore, at Wilmington, the First day of March A. D. nineteen hundred and nine.

HERBERT L. RICE, Prothonotary.

Issued March 24, 1909.

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Given under the hand and seal of (Seal) Francis M. Walker, Register of Wills.

Witness my hand and seal of said County, at Middletown, New Castle County, aforesaid, the day and year above written.

FRANCIS M. WALKER, Register of Wills.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned on the Thirtieth day of January, A. D. 1909, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested to the said Administrator on or before the Thirtieth day of January 1910, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

HOWARD A. POOL, Administrator.

Address: Middletown, Delaware.

Proposals!

BOARD OF STATE SUPPLIES.

DOVER, DELAWARE.

Sealed proposals addressed as above and endorsed "Proposals for printing and supplies," for printing Corporation Laws, School Laws, Constitution, Election and Registration Laws, report of Auditor of Accounts, Adjutant General's Report, State Treasurer's Report, Transactions of the Delaware Agricultural Society, Report of State Board of Health, Insurance Commissioner's Report, Registration Books, and other printing, stationery and supplies for the use of the several State Departments, will be received until 1.30 o'clock P. M. on the 31st day of May, A. D. 1909.

Specifications and blank proposals may be obtained at office of Secretary of State on or after May 31, 1909.

Samples of proposed printing and supplies, when specifications refer to samples, may be seen at office of Secretary of State.

The proposals must be accompanied by a certified check for 10 per centum of the amount of bid payable to Secretary of said Board.

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DANIEL O. HASTINGS,

Secretary of Board of State Supplies.

April 20th, 1909.

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THE GIRL ON THE COVER

BY LUCY M. BLANK

The love of money, said Peggy, meditatively, is a curse!

There was no one in the room except a big black cat, and she could scarcely be expected to dif-

fer.

Perhaps I ought rather to say that the want of money is the

curse.

She slipped out of her chair onto the floor beside pussy.

Do you hear me, you fat, lazy,

old thing? What am I to do to

get a little more, I wonder? Filthy!

I shouldn't say that when it has power to buy such

dainty shirt waists and things.

She was stroking the cat, and

happening to notice her ringless

little left hand, she gave a quick

gasp of alarm, then laughed.

Do you know, Smutt, I had

forgotten that I am once more a

free woman, she said; no longer

tied to a selfish animal who calls

himself a man!

Smutt remained quite un-

responsive, so Peggy slowly got

to her feet again. She was a

dainty little piece of goods, with

fluffy reddish-gold hair and great,

innocent dark-blue eyes. Her

surroundings did not show any

evidence of lack of money—in-

deed, the fresh little room was

the very picture of luxury. Peg-

gy's charming little self was clad

in one of those simple-looking

summer gowns, which so utterly

belied her appearance to the

uninitiated.

She was an orphan and had no

one to guide her somewhat er-

atic footsteps but an extremely

fond and foolish old aunt, who

lived with her in her dainty sub-

urban home.

Peggy roved restlessly about

the room, a cross little frown on

her pretty face.

It is extremely annoying, she

said to herself. I really haven't

a decent stitch to wear, and I am

so horribly in debt that I can't

borrow any more money. It is

two months yet till my next al-

lowance is due, and the old

screws won't give me a cent be-

fore then. Oh, Auntie, as the

old lady entered the room, tell

me how I am to get some new

clothes to go to Newport next

month.

My dear Peggy, you need abso-

lutely nothing. I am sure your

things will compare very favor-

ably with Agnes Macklyn's.

Oh, perhaps you think so, but

I saw one of the sweetest linen

frocks you could imagine, and

I need heaps of shirt waists and

belts and things; I simply can't

go if I don't get them! and she

amused herself by pulling the

shade violently up and down.

Do sit down and be quiet, Peg-

gy. You are a dreadful fidget!

I suppose breaking the shade

won't do me any good. I couldn't

make a frock out of it, though it

is linen. You are an old dear,

Auntie, but you are dreadfully

unsympathetic.

Well, dear, said the old lady

some what wistfully, I don't

care about you going to Newport

with those Macklyn's at all. The

son is a very nice sort of young

man, and I think Harold had

every right to be anguished with

you for thinking of it, Peggy.

Peggy's fingers were in her

ears.

I won't listen, Auntie, so you

may spare your breath. Harold

behaved abominably, and it is

very mean of you all to be so

down on Wilfred Macklyn. He

is a very nice young man, and

I mean to cultivate him, she con-

cluded defiantly.

Well, I suppose, dearie, you

must have your own way, but

you should certainly think twice

about spoiling your life for the

sake of a trip to Newport. You

can go another time—

Yes, but it will be so jolly

going with the Macklyn's, and I

wouldn't give in to Harold Den-

more for anything, and Peggy,

lifting a magazine, threw herself

into her chair again with rather

a vengeful sigh.

Presently she spoke again.

Aunt Mary had gone to sleep

and paid no attention.

Why was I not born clever?

Here is the very thing!—The editor

offers a prize of one hundred

dollars for the best design for

the cover of the summer num-

ber of the Tuxedo Magazine. Now,

why can't I draw? That was one

good point Harold had. He could

sketch beautifully.

Her glance rested on a charm-

ing little water-color of herself

in a fluffy pale-blue dress and

soft hat. It stood on a little

table in a pretty silver frame. An

instant and Peggy was on her

feet, vigorously shaking her poor

old aunt till she awoke with her

cap all askew and her glasses on

the floor.

My dear, she remonstrated.

I've got it! I've got it! cried

Peggy, dancing round the room

and waving the picture gleefully

aloft.

Yes, I know you have, though

I can't think why you didn't send

it back with Harold's other pre-

sents, said the wondering old

lady, thinking her niece had

taken leave of her senses.

I forgot about it. Providence

guides the widowed and the

fatherless! Then Peggy descend-

ed to the depths again. I do be-

lieve I am too late! This Tuxedo

been in the house for ages.

A hurried look at the first page

reassured her, and she explained

her project to Miss Harvey, who,

when she grasped it, was perfect-

ly horrified.

My dear child, everybody will

know you. It is dreadful! You

will be on every news-stand in

the country.

Well, well, said Peggy, with

sublime indifference, people who

know me will just say, How like

Peggy Travers! Rather too nice-

looking, of course! and people

who don't know me will say,

What a lovely girl! Besides,

perhaps I shan't get it.

What will Harold say? said

Miss Harvey faintly. Peggy—

Mr. Harold Densmore will not

be consulted, neither now nor on

any future occasion, observed

Miss Travers sweetly. Help me

to get it out of this frame, Aunt-

ie, like an old dear, for to-mor-

row is the last day for sending

in.

For a week Peggy lived in a

state of semi-subdued excite-

ment. She had accepted the in-

itation to go to Newport with

her friends, and had twice been

in town to admire covetously the

blue linen dress. She had met

Harold Densmore in Fifth Ave-

ue as she came out of a shop,

and vouchsafed him a frigid bow.

Afterward she felt a little sorry

she had not spoken to him. After

all, they might be friends, though

she could never marry him

now. A man who could show

himself to be so horribly jealous

and selfish about a thing like that

—well, it is a good thing she had

found it out before and not after

marriage. Her proud little heart

would not let her acknowl-

edge even to herself how much

she missed the splendid young

fellow, who had been her sweet-

heart from childhood. However,

she met Wilfred Macklyn directly

afterward, and he filled up the

afternoon nicely.

At the end of that week she re-

ceived a communication from the

editor of the Tuxedo Maga-

zine.

He would like to have an inter-

view with Miss Travers, and

hoped that four o'clock that af-

ternoon would suit her.

The old dear! she exclaimed,

as she threw the note across the

table to her aunt.

My dear, he doesn't say that

you have won the prize, said

Miss Harvey dubiously.

No, of course, he doesn't say it,

but what else in the wide world

could he want with me? Don't

you see, the dear man wants

to pay me the money into my

own hands. Perhaps he will ask

me to design all the covers for

his magazine in future. Isn't it

a joke?

At three o'clock, arrayed in

her best and looking her sweet-

est, Peggy boarded a train for

town. Many admiring glances

were cast on her by the way, for

her dainty little figure in the

neat white serge gown was truly

a pleasing picture.

To occupy the time, she planned

out the spending of that hun-

dered dollars, and had laid it out

to the last cent by the time she

reached the editorial office of the

Tuxedo Magazine.

I do hope the dear old man

(Peggy had a rooted conviction

that all editors are old) won't

take long to give me the money,

for I would so like to get my

shopping done this afternoon.

She smiled sweetly on the

office boy, who promptly lost his

heart to her, and presently found

herself confronting the awe-

inspiring individual, the editor.

Then Peggy received a sur-

prise. He was not at all the sort

of man you could comfortably

think of as an old dear, as she

had been doing so serenely. He

was quite a young man, with

keen, alert eyes and a firm,

clean-shaven mouth. Peggy

blushed beautifully as she stared

at the radiant vision.

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